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21 JAN 1974

Professor G. I. Vorobyov  
State Committee for USSR  
Council Ministers  
18 Lesteva Street  
Moscow, M 162 USSR

Dear Professor Vorobyov:

Please accept my best wishes for personal and professional success during this New Year of 1974.

Along with these wishes I am happy to extend an invitation to you and members of the Working Group in Forestry to come to the United States for a second round of discussions on forestry cooperation and for a visit to some of our forestry operations and facilities.

It would aid our discussion of future cooperative activities if a representative for the Ministry of Pulp and Paper and the Ministry of Wood Working Industries could be included in the USSR delegation. As you will recall this was discussed during the September meeting of the Working Group and was brought up again by the U.S. side during the November meeting of the Joint Commission.

Because of scheduling difficulties here, we are suggesting June 9-21, 1974 as shown on the enclosed proposed itinerary.

In order to make the best use of your time we would appreciate knowing as soon as possible the following:

1. Are these dates agreeable?
2. Does the proposed schedule meet with your approval?
3. How many people will be in the delegation and what are their major forestry interests?
4. Do you or any of your delegation plan travel beyond that officially scheduled?

\*USDA Waiver Letter In ERU File\*

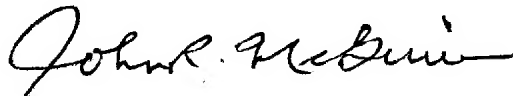
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During your visit we plan to acquaint you with several aspects of U.S. forestry relating in considerable part to the five subject areas agreed upon in our first meeting. We feel these are both important and potentially beneficial steps for continuing US-USSR forestry cooperation.

Again, I am pleased to extend this invitation and look forward to a favorable response.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "John R. McGuire".

JOHN R. MCGUIRE  
Chief

Enclosure

PROPOSED PROGRAM  
USSR FORESTRY DELEGATION VISIT TO THE U.S.  
SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION IN FORESTRY

June 1974

| DATE                 | ITEM   | TIME | PLACE  |
|----------------------|--|------|--|
| Sunday<br>June 9     | 1. Arrival Dulles Airport  | P.M. | Washington, D. C.                              |
|                      | 2. Transport to hotel  |      |  |
|                      | 3. Briefing on schedule  |      |  |
| Monday<br>June 10    | 1. Available time for USSR Embassy   | A.M. |  |
|                      | 2. Visit office of Secretary of Agriculture  | 1300 | USDA Administration Building                   |
|                      | 3. Visit office of FS Chief McGuire  | 1330 | USDA South Building                            |
|                      | 4. Discussion of meeting objectives, details of visit, format of reporting   | 1400 | USDA South Building                            |
| Tuesday<br>June 11   | 1. Meeting of Working Group. Development of specific detailed programs of exchange for each of 5 subject areas agreed upon in September 1973 | 0900 | USDA South Building                            |
| Wednesday<br>June 12 | 1. Continuation of Working Group meetings. Drafting of program documents.  | 0900 | USDA South Building                            |
|                      | 2. Departure for New Haven, Connecticut (Eastern Airline #192)   | 1438 | National Airport                               |
|                      | 3. Arrival at New Haven  | 1542 | New Haven (Hamden)                             |
| Thursday<br>June 13  | 1. Hamden Insect and Disease Laboratory. Review of Gypsy Moth Program  | 0900 | Hamden<br>Yale University--<br>Forestry School |
|                      | 2. Departure for Minneapolis Allegheny #895  | 1919 | Hartford, Connecticut                          |
|                      | 3. Arrive Minneapolis  | 2139 | Minneapolis--St.<br>Paul                       |

| DATE                | ITEM   | TIME | PLACE   |
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| Friday<br>June 14   | 1. Presentation of Research Progress<br>a. Forest productivity<br>b. Intensive forestry<br>c. Bark chip separation<br>d. Shelterbelts<br>e. Nursery automation   | 0900 | St. Paul<br>N.C. Station<br>U. Minnesota<br>Forestry School |
| Saturday<br>June 15 | 1. Departure for Portland, Oregon<br>Northwest Airline #115  | 0855 | Minneapolis Airport   |
|                     | 2. Arrive Portland   | 1133 | Portland  |
|                     | 3. Visit Forest Industry Exhibit   | P.M. |   |
| Sunday<br>June 16   | 1. Tour--Loop Highway<br>Travel to Corvallis (Rented bus)  | 0900 | Portland  |
| Monday<br>June 17   | 1. Presentation of Research Progress<br>a. Advanced logging technology<br>b. Chemical brush control<br>c. Tree breeding & seed production<br>d. Regeneration<br>e. Spray equipment<br>f. Microbial control of insects<br>g. Weyerhaeuser--Hi Yield Forestry                              | 0900 | Corvallis   |
| Tuesday<br>June 18  | 1. Meeting of Working Group<br>Review documents prepared in Washington. Discuss and negotiate new areas from Appendix II. Negotiate (If appropriate) items under Pulp & Paper and Wood & Wood Working Industries. (Slide trip to Calif. & So. Oregon for heads of delegation--FS plane?) | 0900 | Corvallis<br>PNW Station<br>Oregon State Univ.              |
|                     | 2. Travel, Corvallis to Missoula<br>by FS plane or charter to see forestry on ground, fire damage, Tussock moth, etc.  |      | Missoula  |

| DATE                 | ITEM   | TIME | PLACE                                    |
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| Wednesday<br>June 19 | 1. Presentation of Research Progress<br>a. Ecosystem management<br>b. Prescribed fire and fuel management<br>c. Economic evaluation<br>d. Weather modification | 0900 | Missoula<br>INT Station<br>U. of Montana |
|                      | 2. Forest fire laboratory and smoke jump center  |      |  |
| Thursday<br>June 20  | 1. Departure for Washington, D.C.<br>(Northwest Airline #68)   | 1025 | Missoula airport                         |
|                      | 2. Arrive Washington   | 2002 | Washington, D. C.                        |
| Friday<br>June 21    | 1. Review all documents for accuracy   | 0900 | USDA South Building                      |
|                      | 2. Sign documents as needed  |      |  |
| Saturday<br>June 22  | 1. Leave for USSR  | P.M. |  |